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McQUESTEN EAST AND McQUESTEN WEST

PLANNING NEIGHBOURHOODS

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#### COMMUNITY PROFILE

The purpose of this report is to present a general community profile of the geographical area defined by the McQuesten East and McQuesten West planning neighbourhoods. The borders of this area are the C.N.R. tracks on the North; Queenston Road on the South; Parkdale Avenue on the West; Red Hill Creek on the East.

The information concerning the community profile was gathered from the following sources:

- Social Planning Data Book, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton and District, November, 1979.
- 2) A Socio-Economic-Economic Atlas of the City of Hamilton, Social Planning and Research Council, November, 1977.
- 3) A Geographical Analysis of Community Service Utilization in the City of Hamilton, February, 1978.
- 4) The Directory of Community Services 1979-80, Community Information Service.

This report is divided into the following sections:

- 1) Demographic Profile
- 2) Local Community Services
- 3) Service Utilization

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# 1. Demographic Profile:

# a) Social Planning Data Book - 1976 Census of Canada

		Census Tract	Region
Population 1971		9,649.	401,300.
1976		8,869.	409,500.
% Rate of Change	2	- 8.08	2.04
Population Density (p	o. sq. km)	4,456.78	360.98
No. of Families		2,250	107,080.
Average # of person/f	amily	3.5	3.3
Average # children/fa	emily	1.8	1.4
No. of Lone Parent Fa	milies	490	11,120
Lone Parents as a % o	of All Families	21.78	10.38
Married Female Partic	cipation Rate	45.6	43.7
Male Participation Ra	te	74.8	76.4
Male Unemployment Rat	e	7.9	5.4
Female Participation	Rate	45.2	44.1
Female Unemployment R	ate	9.8	8.6
% of Population with	English as Moth	er .	
Tongue		82.31	79.16
% Out of School Popul	ation with less		
than Grade 8	- Male	33.21	27.0
	- Female	34.06	28.0

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# b) Regional Assessment 1978:

	5 Year A	ge Groups		
Age Group	Male	Female	Total	<u>%</u>
0 - 4	226	217	443	5.6
5 - 9	347	345	692	8.7
10 - 14	450	459	909	11.5
15 - 19	546	547	1093	13.8
20 - 24	345	364	709	8.9
25 - 29	240	312	552	6.9
30 - 34	187	278	465	5.8
35 - 39	206	260	466	5.9
40 - 44	240	270	510	6.4
45 - 49	190	241	431	5.4
50 - 54	208	229	437	5.5
55 - 59	185	209	394	5.9
60 - 64	132	130	262	3.3
65 - 69	94	117	211	2.6
70 - 74	66	86	152	1.9
75 - 79	58	64	122	1.5
80 - 84	16	28	44	.6
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TOTAL	3743	4169	7912	

Age Groups not known - 104

Total Population - 8016

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# 2. Local Community Services:

(see attached map for location of services as numbered below)

# a) Schools and Churches

- 1. Hillcrest Public School
- 2. Hillsdale Public School
- 3. Easthaven School (Mentally Retarded)
- 4. St. Helen's Separate School
- 5. Roxborough Park Public School
- 6. Parkdale School
- 7. Sir Winston Churchill High School
- 8. Church of the Good Sheperd
- 9. St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church
- 10. Parkdale Methodist Church
- 11. St. David's United Church
- 12. Parkdale Pentecostal Church
- 13. Salvation Army

### b) Day Care:

#### 14. Playtime Day Nursery

Parkdale and Queenston Road

Capacity: 27

Age: 2 - 5 years

Hours: 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. - closed 2 weeks in summer.

Rate: \$35/week

#### 15. Program for Pre-Schoolers

Roxborough Park Project

Capacity: 5 per half day

Age: pre-school

Hours: 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Rate: Free

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# c) Government Agencies:

- 16. Canada Manpower Centre Branch Office:
  - 199 Parkdale Ave. North
  - 5 Counsellors
  - perform same services as Main Branch of the Canada Manpower Centre, i.e., counselling, placement, referrals for training programs, diagnostic services, mobility programs, etc.

# d) Community and Legal Services:

- 17. McQuesten Legal and Community Services:
  - 360-A Queenston Road (at Reid)
  - Service provides legal and advocacy services.

    Staff 2 full-time lawyers, 3 para-legals.

    1 full-time community worker
  - Hours: 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
  - Rate: Free

# e) Parks:

- 18. Hillcrest Park.
- 19. Arcan Park
- 20. Parkdale Park.



#### f) Recreation Programs:

#### 1. Roxborough School:

20 Reid Ave. North

Walk to programs - two nights per week

- 10 - 15 year olds.

- membership \$3.00

#### 2. Parkdale School:

Parkdale Ave. North - Co-ordinator - Bruce Quinn
A community school, recreational programs.

Monday and Wednesday evenings - 6:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday afternoon - 1:15 - 3:15 - adults, quilting, sewing, etc.

#### 3. Sir Winston Churchill High School:

Main Street East at Adeline.

Swimming pool open certain hours to public.

6 years old and up.

Cost \$3.00

#### 4. Parkdale Park:

Parkdale and Queenston Road.

Skating rink and outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts.

#### 5. St. David's Church:

Delena Ave.

Cubs - 1 night a week.

### g) Hamilton-Wentworth Housing Authority:

#### Public Housing Units:

- i) Roxborough Park 247 2,3, & 4 Bedroom Units Single, Semi, and Town Houses.
- ii) Oriole Crescent  $-\frac{228}{485}$  2,3, 4 & 5 Bedroom Units Total 485 Town Houses.

Total # of dwelling units - 2,760
% of dwelling units - public housing - 17.8%



#### 3. Service Utilization:

#### a) Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police:

i) 1977 Police Calls - McQuesten East and McQuesten West\*

1976 Population	~	8,844	Average City Utilization Rate
Number of Calls	***	3,088	412.89
% of Total Police Calls (City of Hamilton)	-	2.09%	Average Utilization Rate for Hamilton-
Utilization Rate (Calls/1000 population)	moo	349.16	Wentworth Region 364.56

\*Source: Geographical Analysis of Community Service
Utilization in the City of Hamilton.

ii) 1979 Police Calls - McQuesten East and McQuesten West\*

1978 Population - 8,016

Number of Calls - 2,100

June 1979 to
October 1979

% of Total Police Calls

Utilization Rate - 261.9

(Calls/1000 population)

\*Source: Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police.

#### iii) Delinquency:

#### Juvenile Offenders 1976\*

Age Group	Region	Study Area
5 & under	.35	-
6 & 7	1.73	.42
8 & 9	5.59	7.53
10 & 11	11.16	16.74
12 & 13	28.68	39.75
14 & 15	52.22	30.97
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	100.0%	100.0%

# \*Source: Parkdale Report III: Delinquency in the Parkdale Area, Social Planning and Research Council April, 1977

A markedly higher percentage of juvenile offenders in the study area were between the ages of ten and thirteen. Fifty-six percent of the local offenders were in this age group, while this was true of only forty percent of the offenders in the Region as a whole.

Forty-four percent of the offenders in the study area were members of single parent families, while this was true of thirty-eight percent of the offenders in the entire Region.

#### b) Children's Aid Society:

1976 Long-Term Clients

Number of Clients - 31 Average City
Percent of Caseload - 3.29% Utilization Rate
Utilization Rate

(clients/1000 population - 3.50

Average Utilization Rate for Hamilton-Wentworth Region 2.33

# c) Family Service Agency:

1976 Clients, New Applicants

Number of Clients - 78

Percent of Caseload - 4.54%

Utilization Rate

(clients/1000 population) - 8.82

Average City Utlization Rate 4.60

Average Utilization Rate for Hamilton-Wentworth Region 4.00

# d) <u>McQuesten Legal and Community Services:</u> 1979 Clients

Number of Clients - self-referred - 172
- agency-referred 50

Utilization Rate - 27.7 (clients/1000 population)

e) <u>Child and Adolescent Services - Hamilton-Wentworth Regional</u> Health Unit:

East End branch serving Kenilworth Ave. to Hamilton-Wentworth boundary.

1979 caseload - 700 to 800 cases - Identified Patients between 2 and 18 years of age.

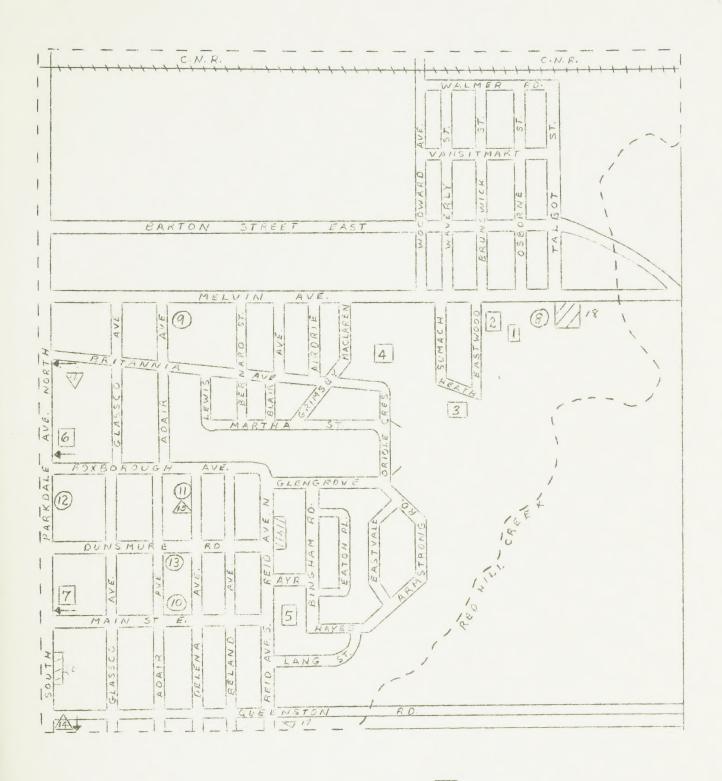
Approximately 30% of cases from Hamilton-Wentworth Housing Authority Units in Kenora Ave., Oriole Crescent and Congress Court.

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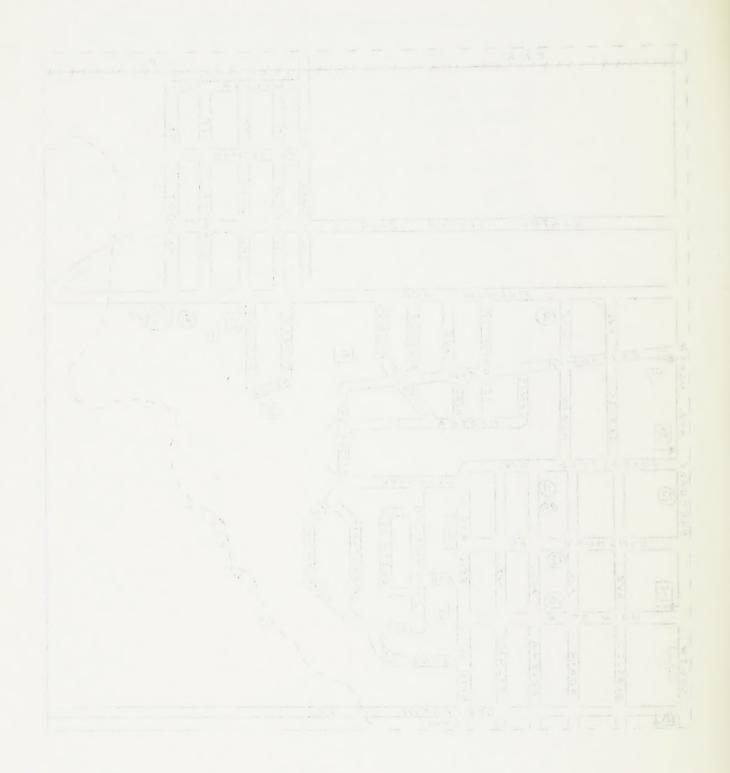
Suicide risk, theft, arson, behavioural problems, learning disabilities.

Lack of services, difficulty of access, lack of planned recreation.





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